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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a continuation-in-part application of Appl. No. 09/720,316 filed on March 1, 2001. The present application is filed on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s): Rene WAJSFELNER, Jacques DEPOIZIER and Jean-Paul LONGUEMARD

For: PROCESS FOR STRIPPING AND STERILIZING THE INSIDE OF A CONTAINER AND DEVICE FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION

Enclosed are:

- ☒ A specification consisting of Thirty (30) pages
- ☒ Four (4) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- ☒ Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow
- ☒ Information Sheet
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment
- ☐ Certified copy of Priority Document(s)
- ☒ Priority of Application No(s). 98 08140 filed in France on June 26, 1998 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- ☒ Applicants claim small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
- ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first sentence

--This application is a continuation-in-part of Application No. _____, filed on _____, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

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--This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Application 09/720,316, filed March 1, 2001, which was the U.S. National Stage of PCT international application No. PCT/FR99/01363 which has an international filing date of June 9, 1999 which designated the United States, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference.--

- ☐ An extension of time for () month(s) until _____, has been submitted in parent Application No. _____ in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
- ☐ Other: _____

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BASIC FEE			\$740.00	\$370.00
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- ☒ The application transmitted herewith is filed in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c). The undersigned has been authorized by the inventor(s) to file the present application. The original duly executed Declaration together with the surcharge will be forwarded in due course.
- ☒ A check in the amount of \$469.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☐ Please charge Deposit Account No. 25-0120 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this transmittal form is enclosed.
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Respectfully submitted,

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